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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – The Institute for International Education (IIE) recently announced an additional recipient of the Benjamin A. Gilman study abroad scholarship, Genesis Brown of Detroit, Mich.

A junior International Business major, Brown was awarded a scholarship for her current semester of study in China. The scholarship includes funds for a Critical Language supplement for the study of Chinese.

Earlier in the year, four other Illinois Wesleyan students were awarded the **Benjamin A. Gilman study abroad scholarship**. Recipients included sophomore nursing majors Amanda Magallon of Round Lake Beach, Ill. and Cassie Mellen of Murriss, Ill., junior psychology and business administration major Max Polisky of Deerfield, Ill. and junior biology major Emily Wechter of Park Ridge, Ill. According to Director of the International Office Stacey Shimizu, these are the most awardees Illinois Wesleyan has had in one semester.

Noting that international experience is both rewarding and a substantial financial investment, the Gilman Scholarship Program aims to support undergraduate students in their study abroad endeavors and encourages them to choose non-traditional study abroad destinations, especially those outside of Western Europe, Australia and New Zealand.

This year, over 2,300 scholarships were awarded through a competitive selection process. The program is funded by the International Academic Opportunity Act of 2000 and is sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State.

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